

The VV&A Documentation Tool

Automating the VV&A Process

**The Navy Modeling and Simulation
management Office (NAVMSMO) sponsored
the development of the VV&A
Documentation Tool to automate the VV&A
process.**

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Agenda

- VV&A Implementation Portal
- Why use the VDT?
- Benefits to the Navy
- Automation of Navy VV&A Policy
- Implementation of VV&A



VV&A Implementation Portal

- Available through the NAVMSMO web site
<http://navmsmo.hq.navy.mil/> > VV&A
- Creates a user configurable single log-on web interface to multiple web sites, the VDT, community message boards, and published tools
- Published Tools
 - VDT
 - Risk Matrix 2.0
 - Open Office
 - *Any user defined application published*
- Single-Sign On Web Sites
 - MSRR
 - NTMF
 - *Any user defined web site can be added per account*



Why VDT?...why not MS Word?

- Translates text as data
 - Reuse of VV&A documentation fields across repositories
 - Serialization of text as XML streams to facilitate composable M&S
- Connection to Resources
 - Portal environment gathers multiple applications, repositories, web sites, users



Benefits to the Navy

- **Standardization of VV&A Documentation**
- **Supports Navy VV&A Policy**
- **Follows Navy VV&A Handbook**
- **Promotes M&S Reuse**
- **Leverages web-based and XML technologies**
- **Interface with NMSIS**
- **User Friendly**
- **NMCI compatible**
- **Cost effective**



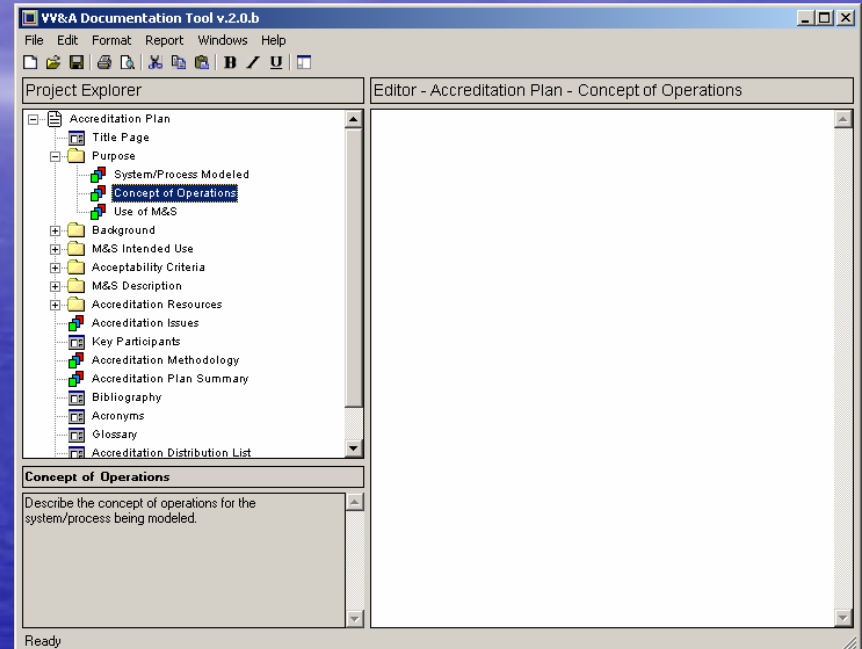
VDT and the VV&A Process

- Accreditation Tasks
- Verification Tasks
- Validation Tasks



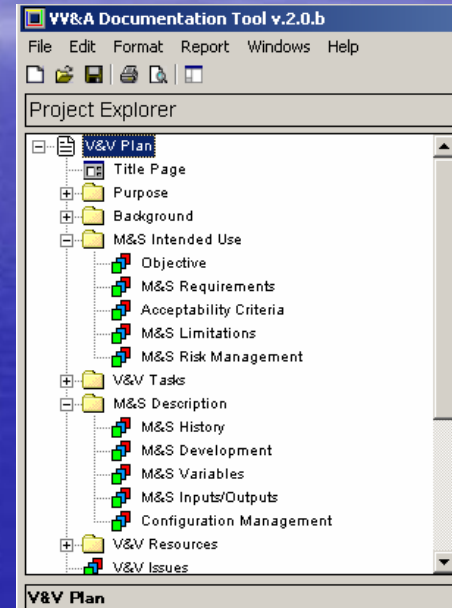
Accreditation Tasks

- Document the acceptability criteria and provides a link to the M&S Requirement
- Tracks Accreditation costs by activity, funding source, estimated to actual



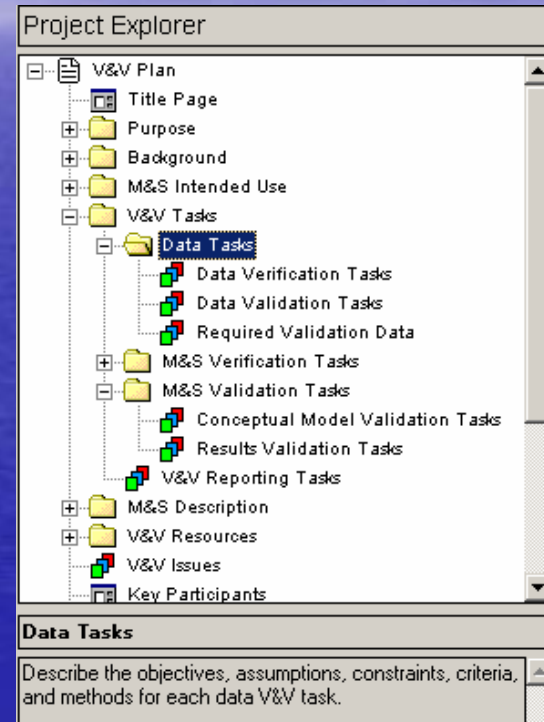
Verification Tasks

- Tracks planning to implementation
 - V&V Plan to V&V Report
 - Design Verification tasks to Implementation
 - Conceptual Model Validation Tasks to Results Validation
 - M&S Verification to M&S Validation
 - V&V Report
 - Design Verification (V&V Plan) to Implementation (Test Plans)
 - Implementation to Results Validation



Validation Tasks

- Compare outputs to real world data
- Identify key SMEs* (*PII compliant*)
- Trace Intended Use to acceptability criteria and M&S requirements
- Document results in the V&V Report and report discrepancies



VVML and the VV&A Portal

- Proposed VVML ("Validation and Verification Markup Language")
 - "The benefits of VVML range from high-level level compatibility with web compatibility with web-based technologies within based technologies within an extensible framework which will enable a generation of M&S applications to emerge"



VV&A Web Services?

- Goal of VVML is to create a VV&A Web Service within the XMSF
- What's a web service
 - No Diagrams please!
- When?
 - First prototype planned January 05



Practical Example - Handbook to VDT

- Example of linking external data to the VDT
 - V&V Plan, Implementation Verification.
- Role of XML
 - Why URI's and the benefit to the user
- Requirements Traceability
 - What this means
 - Linking to external tools



Implementation Verification – Test Results (1)

- Stats Collecting @ 600.0
- Number of Fades 4
- Number of false Alarms 3
- Number of hits 14
- Number of Misses 2
- Number of correct rejection 181
- reaction time = 0.98562

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- Stats Collecting @ 1199.9
- Number of Fades 0
- Number of false Alarms 5
- Number of hits 16
- Number of Misses 2
- Number of correct rejection 177
- reaction time = 0.94344

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- Stats Collecting @ 1799.80
- Number of Fades 0
- Number of false Alarms 1
- Number of hits 14
- Number of Misses 0
- Number of correct rejection 185
- reaction time = 1.00219

- 1. **Record results for each step of the test procedure executed and describe any unresolved anomalies or discrepancies of any kind encountered during the execution of the test.**
- 2. Correlate the pre-test predictions with the test results. Describe and analyze anomalies.
- 3. Include or reference amplifying information that may help to isolate and correct the cause of any discrepancy.
- 4. Provide an assessment by the test conductor as to the cause of each discrepancy and a means of correcting it.



Implementation Verification – Test Results (2)

Period	Pretest Mean \pm 1s.e.	Posttest Mean \pm 1s.e.
2	1.1 \pm 0.3	5.9 \pm 0.4
3	1.0 \pm 0.2	7.5 \pm 0.5
5	0.9 \pm 0.3	5.3 \pm 0.5
Combined	1.0 \pm 0.2	6.2 \pm 0.3

Pre- & Post- Test Contrast:

Period	U-Test Statistic	P
Combined	73.5	<0.001

Posttest Contrast of Performance by Period:

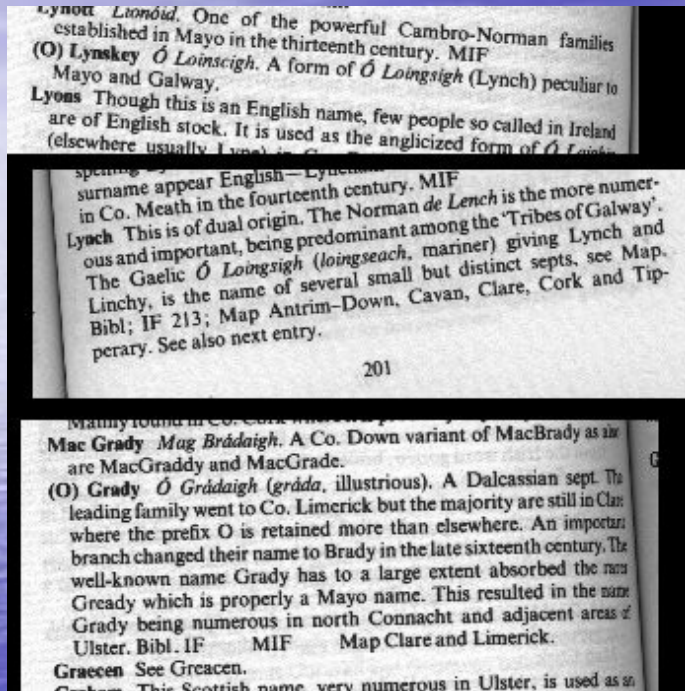
Periods	U-Test Statistic	P
2 & 3	125.0	0.026
2 & 5	242.0	0.401
3 & 5	305.5	0.004

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Implementation Verification – Test Results (3)

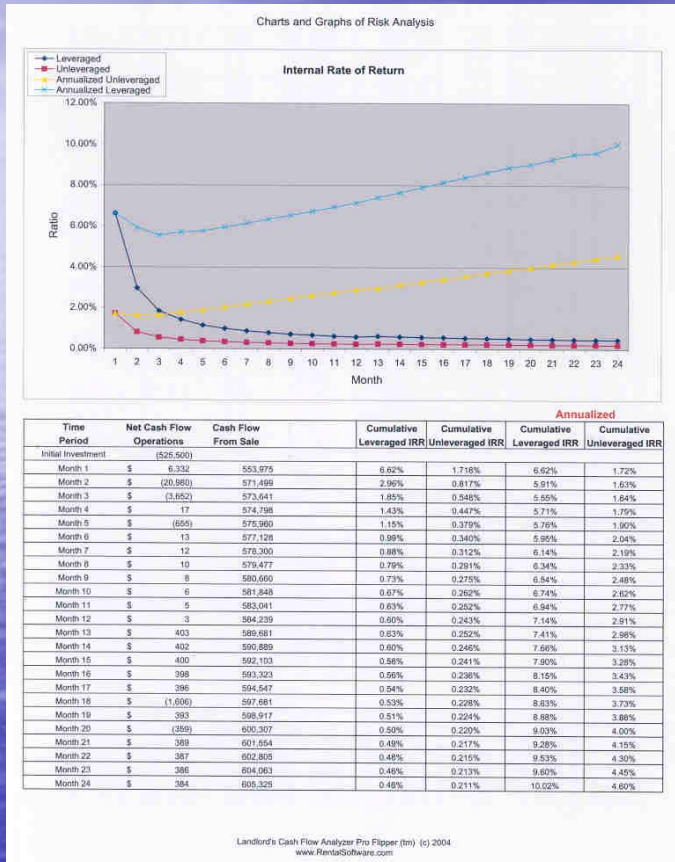


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Implementation Verification – Test Results (4)



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Uri://vvadom/vvplan/implementation/assessment/pr1

What are URI's?

Uri://vvadom/vvplan/implementationve/assessment/pr1

- We use URI's all the time, the following examples illustrate URI's that are in common use.
 - ftp://ftp.is.co.za/rfc/rfc1808.txt -- ftp scheme for File Transfer Protocol services
 - mailto:mduerst@ifi.unizh.ch -- mailto scheme for electronic mail addresses .
- Semantics allow the machine to interpret how to process a header such as "FTP", "HTTP",
- How a URI is structured within the VVML
 - *Uri://vvadom/* = Name of server
 - *vvplan/implementationve/* = Document Type, Section
 - *assessment/pr1* = reference doc type, project ID
- Provides pointers to data



Report - Based Requirements Traceability

- **Project RTM** – Intended Use linked to M&S Requirement
 - **Accreditation Plan RTM** - M&S Requirement linked to Acceptability Criteria
 - **V&V Plan RTM** - Planned V&V Task linked to Acceptability Criteria
 - **V&V Report RTM** - Implemented V&V Tasks linked to Results (Tests)
 - **Accreditation Report** - Results linked to Acceptability Criteria

M&S REQUIREMENT	Planned V&V Tasks	Implemented V&V Tasks	Acceptability Criteria	Result Validation Task Analysis
Requirement 1	Bookmark to field – Data Verification Task	Bookmark to field – Implementation Verification Task	LINK TO ACT	RVT
	Bookmark to field – Data Validation Task			
	Bookmark to field – Design Verification Task			
Blue Columns = Planning		Yellow Columns = Implementation		

